

# Iron County Register

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## NEWS AND NOTES.

### A Summary of Important Events.

R. S. MATTHEWS, Republican nominee for Attorney-General of Maryland, has declined to run.

JAY-EYE-SEE beat St. Julian in the great match race in New York on the 29th in three successive heats, thus dethroning the old king of the turf.

At the National Rifle Association fall meeting at Creedmoor on the 28th the Michigan State team won the Hilton trophy by a score of 1,068.

The National Convention of State Insurance Commissioners at Columbus, O., agreed not to try longer to establish a standard fire insurance policy.

An investigation is in progress in the Treasury Department to ascertain what has become of certain receipts for several hundred yards of carpets.

BISMARCK is credited with having made King Alfonso a Colonel of Uhlans for the purpose of causing the Parisians to give him a cold reception and so engender a hostile spirit.

The business failures for the week ending the 28th number 180, as compared with 188 the preceding week, the feature being very important disasters in the New York clothing trade.

On trial at Geneva for disturbing the peace several Salvationists pleaded that their actions were in obedience to the dictates of conscience. The public prosecutor insisted on sentence.

It is charged that at the recent elections in the United States of Colombia the party in power placed their partisans in charge of the ballot boxes and surrounded the polls with armed police soldiers.

The last point in dispute between the British and Nicaraguan governments respecting the long pending Mosquito coast region has been decided, the propositions made by Nicaragua having been accepted.

REUBEN E. CARROLL explained to the Senate Labor Committee on the 27th the system of railroad rebates by which all oil producers are compelled to sell their stocks through the Standard Oil Company.

JOHN MCGINNIS, sentenced to be hanged at Harrisburg, Pa., October 4 for the murder of his mother-in-law, has been respited three months, that an examination may be made relative to his sanity.

JOHN ROACH has presented a bill to the Secretary of the Navy for \$21,000 for taking care of the United States steamship Roanoke from 1877 to the present time, the charges being made at the rate of \$8 a day.

In connection with the recent arrests of Russian army officers implicated in nihilist plots, a large depot has been discovered at Charkoff, containing arms, gunpowder, dynamite bombs and printing apparatus.

The Women's Memorial Association of North Carolina have arranged for the removal of the remains of 107 North Carolina soldiers buried at Arlington cemetery, and the work has been commenced under the direction of Mrs. C. W. Harris. They will be taken to Raleigh.

JOHN B. CARROLL arrested on a charge of forgery in the New York Water Register's department, was taken to court on the 28th. Upon the arrival of his lawyer a plea of "not guilty" was offered. His bail was fixed at \$10,000, his uncle Wm. P. Carroll becoming his surety.

FIFTEEN THOUSAND steel and iron workers in Glamorgan and Monmouthshire, England, struck on the 1st against a reduction of ten per cent. in wages. Employers urge, in view of English and American competition, that they must either close their works or reduce wages.

A DISPATCH from St. Petersburg of the 1st stated that the Nihilists there had issued circulars demanding that the Russian Government put a stop to the cruel treatment of prisoners, especially women, and enjoining the greatest caution upon all Nihilists in consequence of recent arrests.

JOHN P. HOWARD, of Burlington, Vt., announces his purpose of giving a new building for the Medical Department of the University of Vermont and refitting the old building for a gymnasium. The aggregate cost will be about \$40,000. This will make over \$400,000 Howard has given the University within ten years.

An attempt was made to rob the express car on the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe train at Coolidge, Kas., on the morning of the 29th by a party of three masked men. The engineer of the train was killed and the fireman seriously wounded, but the Express messenger pluckily defended his charge and frustrated the intended robbery.

The annual report of Secretary Maxwell to the Cincinnati Pork Packers' Association shows total receipts of hogs at that city the past year 883,417, against 768,608 the preceding year. Shipments for the year, 242,045, against 184,519 the previous year. Average gross weight of hogs 247 pounds, against 240 the preceding year.

The King of Spain was grossly insulted by the French populace on his arrival in Paris on the 29th by reason of his accepting the honorary colonelcy of a German Uhlan regiment during his recent visit to the Emperor William. President Grevy apologized on behalf of the government, and King Alfonso attended a banquet tendered him by the President and Cabinet at Elisee.

The forthcoming annual report of the Treasurer of the United States will show that only a little over \$12,000,000 in legal-tender notes have been presented for redemption in coin since the resumption act took effect January 1, 1875. In 1875, \$11,456,586 were redeemed; in 1880, \$543,800, and in 1881, \$68,750. The redemptions in 1881 took place in the early part of the year, and during the last two years not a single greenback has been presented for redemption in coin.

### PERSONAL AND GENERAL.

TURKEY threatens to restore order in Bulgaria if matters grow worse.  
THE mangled remains of James McGaff, engineer on the Nashville & Decatur Road, were found on the track on the morning of the 27th near Nashville, Tenn.

THE schooner Halloran and Pilot collided on Lake Michigan on the 26th. Both were badly injured, the Pilot being barely able to reach Milwaukee and the other reported still adrift in the lake.

JUDGE RAY, of Indiana, law clerk of the Post-office Department at Washington, resigned on the 27th.

THE Louisville Colored Convention adjourned on the 27th after the adoption of an address.

THE Lord Bishop of Rochester landed at Baltimore on the 28th.  
THE Spanish Cabinet recommends pardoning the Badajoz insurgents.

THE Korean Embassy went to West Point on the 28th to see the cadets drill.

EX-LIEUT.-GOV. MUELLER, of Ohio, has sued two Cleveland papers for libel.

THREE negroes were hanged on the 28th at Chatham, Va., for the murder of William F. Shepherd last month.

THE French Minister of the Interior has prohibited Salvation Army meetings in the Department of Savoy.

CROTTY, a landlord of County Mayo, Ireland, who had been several times wounded, was shot dead on the 28th.

EMPEROR WILLIAM took part in the ceremony of unveiling the statue of Germania at Niederwald on the 28th.

DEPUTY UNITED STATES Marshals Beck and Merrill were killed on the 27th while attempting to arrest John Bark and John M. Jacks in the Indian Territory.

GENERAL CASTILLO, the newly appointed Captain-General of Cuba, has arrived at Havana.

O'DONNELL's examination was concluded on the 28th at London. The prisoner was committed for trial.

THE Ananite Government has issued orders to the Mandarins disbanding troops. The bark Orontes recently picked up three fishermen off the coast of Newfoundland who had been out six days in an open boat without water.

THE steamer J. S. Robinson exploded her boilers at Albany, N. Y., on the 28th. The captain and fireman were killed and several others badly hurt.

A LARGE crowd of Parisians assembled on the 28th around the Strasburg monument and indulged in a counter-demonstration to the Niederwald celebration.

FROM September 15th to the 28th the Post-office Department had issued 102,600,000 new two-cent postage stamps.

THE New York State tax suits against the Western Union Telegraph Company have been decided in favor of plaintiff. The amount involved was more than \$600,000.

It is reported that Prince Alexander of Bulgaria has gone incognito to consult the Emperor of Austria. The war clouds thicken. The Porte calls the attention of the powers to the armament of Bulgaria. The reported shooting of John Stewart Parnell proved unfounded. He was in London on the 28th.

GEORGE WALLACE, colored, was hanged on the 28th at Atlanta, Ga., for the murder of a sailor named Jansen. He protested his innocence to the last.

THE Pacific Express Company's car on the El River branch of the Wabash Railroad was robbed of \$1,500 by three masked men on the 28th near Newport, Ind.

ALBERT TAFT, manufacturer, was suffocated by gas at Burlington, Vt., the night of the 26th.

THE Roman Catholic Provincial Council closed its sessions in New York on the 30th.

THE Conway Manufacturing Company's planing mill burned at Milwaukee the morning of the 30th; loss \$100,000.

JOHN CANTWELL, Celina, O., shot himself and his wife in a potato patch the morning of the 30th. Both are dead.

TWENTY-NINE persons have recently been sent to prison for long terms in Hungary for destroying the Hungarian escutcheon.

A PHYSICIAN at Glen's Falls, N. Y., claims to have cured lockjaw by a hypodermic injection of rattlesnake venom.

JAMES FAIR has brought suit in New York to recover \$10,000 damages from his father-in-law for alienating his wife's affections.

CAPT. ALLEN, of the schooner Ida Walker, fell overboard on Lake Ontario near Oswego, N. Y., the night of the 29th. His son attempted to save him and both were drowned.

NEAR Rockport, Ind., the body of a man was found in the hull of a burned boat. He had been shot and pounded with a hatchet.

AMBROSE RINE, an attaché of Forepaugh's circus, was found with his neck broken on the 30th under a railroad bridge at Wheeling, W. Va.

THE newsdealers of Boston have resolved that their interests demand that the prices of New York daily newspapers be maintained at old rates and have agreed not to depart from former prices.

A RENEWAL of the disorders at Canton, China, was reported on the 30th.

GOVERNOR IRELAND, of Texas, was cordially welcomed on his visit to Mexico. Fully 10,000 people assembled at Saltillo to greet him and manifested great enthusiasm.

THE National Cotton Planters' Convention at Vicksburg, Miss., will be held November 21st instead of the 14th, as heretofore announced.

At a National League meeting at Tipperary, Ireland, on the 30th 5,000 people were in attendance.

THE yellow fever cases in San Francisco harbor were reported doing well on the 1st.

A PROPELLER carried away the gates of the new canal at St. Catharines, Canada, on the 1st.

LIEUT. GARLINGTON arrived at Washington, on the 1st. He has nothing to say at present.

A RAILWAY collision occurred on the 1st near Fort Plain, N. Y. Several persons are reported killed and others injured.

In Chiapas, Mexico, 1,200 persons have recently died of small-pox out of a population of 20,000.

THE engine house of the Cincinnati Southern Railroad at Lexington, Ky., was blown down Sunday.

COLEMAN BROS., clothiers, New York and San Francisco, have failed.

ST. JOHN'S Catholic Church at Trenton, N. J., burned the morning of the 1st. A SAILOR from quarantine at Galveston was caught trying to escape to the main land on the 1st and was sent back.

KING ALFONSO has returned to Spain. His prestige at home is considerably increased by the Paris affair.

EDWARD LOBEL, charged with forgery in Bristol, Eng., was arrested in New York on ship-board on the 1st at the instance of the British Consul.

THE New York Grand Jury on investigating the water rates frauds declares the book-keeping system faulty, recommends examinations of all financial records since 1877 and returns two indictments.

BANDS of infuriated Spaniards were roaming the streets of Madrid on the 1st insulting Frenchmen wherever they were met. There are reports of serious measures to be taken by Spain and Germany on account of the insults offered Alfonso.

MR. FARRIDGE, of the New York Produce Exchange, testified on the 1st before the Senate Labor Committee regarding corners and speculative dealing.

At Ashford, Wis., on the 1st, the oldest son of Mrs. Unib pointed a loaded gun at his little brother, not knowing it was loaded, and when he pulled the trigger the boy was instantly killed.

DURING a thunder-storm recently at Amherst, N. H., the residence of Harvey Wheeler was struck by lightning and Mrs. Wheeler killed. Water was scarce, and Wheeler extinguished the fire with milk.

REV. J. MORGAN SMITH, for twenty years pastor of the First Congregational Church at Grand Rapids, Mich., died on the 1st at Danville, N. Y., whither he had gone for the benefit of his health, from heart disease, aged about fifty years.

DELEGATES from twenty-three States held a preliminary session in Chicago on the 1st for the purpose of organizing a National Laundrymen's Association, and after effecting a temporary organization adjourned till the 2d.

DR. SALMON, of the Agricultural Department, has made experiments which indicate that inoculation is effective against hog cholera.

It is reported that Jay Gould and Russell Sage will go into the Louisville and Nashville directory.

ANOTHER case of yellow fever has been announced in the city of Pensacola and people are leaving.

TWENTY-THREE Provincetown (Mass.) fishing vessels were on the Grand Banks of Newfoundland during the recent disastrous gales and all rode the storm out safely.

THE public debt, less cash in treasury, is \$1,021,841,535, a decrease during September of \$14,707,229.

ONE of the most experienced officials of the Post-office Department estimates that the loss of revenue during the next twelve months, occasioned by the reduction of postage from three to two cents, will be about \$9,000,000.

SECRET service officials say that they don't believe there is any truth in the report that the postal notes are being "raised" in different parts of the country. They claim that the "raising" process can not be applied to these notes.

THE steamship Lydian Monarch which arrived in New York from London on the 1st brought ninety-two cases of "properties." They belong to Henry Irving, the actor, who will sail from Europe October 10. The scenery to be used in the tragedy of "The Bells" is contained in twenty boxes.

It is understood that R. Stockett Matthews has declined the nomination for Attorney-General given him by acclamation by the Maryland Republican State Convention. Professional engagements require all his time.

### CONDENSED TELEGRAMS.

CHRISTINE NILSSON landed in New York on the 2d.

THE report of a treaty between Spain and Germany is denied.

FOUR of the yellow fever patients at San Francisco are recovering.

THE plans of the Director-General for completion of the Panama Canal have been approved.

An attempt was recently made to assassinate the British Consul at Scutari, Albania.

SIX miners were killed by the fall of a cage in a coal-mine at Leigh, England, on the 2d.

THE National Association of Stationary Engineers met on the 2d in Chicago.

THE American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions met in Detroit, Mich., on the 2d.

THE daily average transactions of the New York Clearing-house the past year were \$137,704,402.

RICHARD MICHAELIS, of the Chicago Freie Presse, has been bound over on a charge of criminal libel.

TEN THOUSAND veterans participated in the exercises of Grand Army day at Fargo, Dak., burst on the 2d under pressure of the grain stored.

LATE reports furnish reason to believe that the damage to the corn crop by frost has been largely overestimated.

HOWARD & CANDLER, wholesale druggists, Atlanta, Ga., were burned out on the 2d; loss, \$50,000.

PRESIDENT GREY has been so affected by the events of the past few days that he has seriously contemplated resigning.

COL. JOHN C. TIDBALL is ordered to command of the artillery school at Fortress Monroe in place of Gen. Getty, retired.

A MONTREAL ballist was recently pitched through a show window by a man-of-warman for slighting remarks about Prince George.

JOHN A. HENRY, of Indianapolis, has been appointed law clerk in the Post-office Department in place of Judge Ray, resigned.

THE German papers say the insults offered King Alfonso were indirectly aimed at Germany, and are considered a sign of weakness.

A PANIC occurred on the 2d in Christie street Grammar School, New York, and a terrible catastrophe was narrowly missed.

MR. DEVER, a deaf mute living at Iowa Station, Ill., assaulted his sister-in-law on the 2d, nearly killing her, and then beat his own brains out with an axe.

### MISSOURI STATE NEWS.

Anti-Horse-Thief Association.

CHILLICOTHE, Mo., Sept. 24.  
The National Grand Order of Anti-Horse-Thief Association convened at Cadell Hall at 10:30 a. m. to-day, with John J. Suter, N. G. W. P., of Marion County, in the chair, and N. G. W. S. B. R. Vale, of Boone, Ia., as the Secretary's table. About 400 members of local organizations were present.

By special invitation the meeting was opened with prayer by Rev. D. B. Lake, of Chillicothe. The Committee on Credentials announced the following representatives of the Grand Order present:

Missouri, John J. Suter, J. P. Richards, S. W. Hayes, W. C. Carter, G. W. Rose, Iowa, B. R. Vale, E. V. Miller, L. Waterbury; Kansas, J. M. Baker. The Committee on Finance presented a report, showing \$127.25 in the hands of the Treasurer. Oral information was received from the respective Grand Worthy Presidents of the several States, giving reports of progress, showing a large increase in membership, general interest, and increased favor with the people and the courts.

At 1:30 p. m. the members met at the hall and to the number of 300 formed a procession headed by the Wheeling Cornet Band, and marched through the principal streets of the city, after which they repaired to the hall where the unfinished organization of the forenoon's work was taken up and perfected. The N. G. W. P. made a neat and complimentary speech to the local members of the association for the magnanimous reception tendered the grand officers and delegates, after which they retired and the order proceeded to frame the secret work for the ensuing two years. The constitution was so changed that the N. G. O. will meet triennially hereafter. Keokuk, Ia., being selected as the next place of meeting, on the fourth Wednesday of September, 1885. The following officers were then elected for the ensuing two years: N. G. W. P., J. J. Suter, Palmyra, Mo.; N. G. W. P., A. L. Sparks, Bushnell, Ill.; N. G. W. P., B. R. Vale, Boone, Ia.; M. G. N. T., J. P. Richards, Bunker Hill, Mo. The G. W. S. was made a Committee on Printing. Resolutions of thanks were tendered the officials of the city for the kindness extended. After various other proceedings of interest to our readers have been disposed of with much fraternal greeting the Grand Order adjourned.

### Miscellaneous Items.

The trial of John Hocking for murder was progressing in the Miller County Circuit Court at Eldon on change of venue from Camden County. It was expected the trial would consume at least a week.

William Kuykendall has been commissioned post-master at Toronto, Camden County.

Dave Cable, a Boonville (Cooper County) negro, fatally shot his wife a few days ago.

J. S. Higgins has this season raised and matured figs on his place in the western part of Poplar Bluff, Butler County. They are about the size of an ordinary pear, well matured, and as delicious as the fruit raised in the tropical climate. Mr. Higgins has several trees, and all were heavily laden, and after having experimented he is now satisfied that figs can be raised there.

The Callaway County Gazette says: "Mr. Howard Payne, out by the fair grounds, put four little carp in his pond about fourteen months ago. They were about two inches in length, and came from St. Joseph. The little pond dried up the other day, or got so low as to leave about a barrel of muddy water. Thursday of last week Howard took a carp twenty-one inches long, which weighed six and a half pounds.

There is hardly any portion of the country that is increasing more rapidly at present in population and wealth than Southeast Missouri. New industries are springing up in every direction, new farms are being cleared out, saw-mills are being built, iron mines are being opened and immigration is coming right along. Letters of inquiry are being received from all parts of the United States inquiring of the soil, climate, agricultural and mineral resources of that portion of the State.

The total assessed valuation of real and personal property in Lexington, Lafayette County, is \$823,506.

Burglars blew open the safe of Zimmerman & Co., at Crosby, sixteen miles from St. Joseph, a few nights ago, and secured nearly \$2,000 in cash and other valuables.

The Governor has appointed C. B. Matthewman Commissioner of Deeds for the State, with residence at Hartford, Conn.

The death of Joseph Pilkington, of Sedalia, Pettis County, in Bellevue Hospital, New York, heretofore mentioned, was caused by an overdose of morphia taken by him. His untimely death was deeply deplored at his home, where he was highly esteemed.

Governor Crittenden a few days ago granted a jail pardon to J. H. Baker, of Cooper County, who was at the July term convicted on pleas of guilty in seven cases of selling liquor without license and fined forty dollars in each case. In default of payment of said fines he was sent to jail for twelve months. All costs have been paid.

The Secretary of State has issued a certificate of incorporation to the Wichita Cattle Company, of St. Louis, capital \$1,000,000. The incorporators are Frank B. York, Erastus Wells, Delos T. Parker and John W. Parker, of St. Louis. The objects of the company are to manage, control and operate a general business in raising, importing and improving the breed, and buying and selling cattle, horses and other animals, and erecting sheds and buildings, buying and selling lands, and fencing and improving the same. Also, to the Buford & George Implement Company, of Kansas City; capital \$10,000. The incorporators are Basil D. Buford, Rock Island, Ill.; John A. Morley, Dayton, O.; Edward George and H. Duke and George Buford, of Kansas City.

The drought continues. Captain W. P. Paff, an old and respected citizen, died at Sedalia a few days ago aged fifty-seven years. He was twenty-two years a sailor and commander on the sea, and Sheriff of Pettis County four years, having been elected to that office in 1878.

Articles of association of the Kansas City Savings Bank were filed with the Secretary of State a few days ago. The capital stock is \$300,000, half paid up. Joseph Field holds ninety-two shares of the stock, and Thomas C. Cole, John F. Hall, Abram Mann and D. R. Porter two shares each.

The corn crop in the southern counties promises well.

### UNSUCCESSFUL EMULATION OF THE MISSOURI BANDIT.

An Attempt to Rob an Express Car of an Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Train Frustrated—The Would-be Robbers Killed the Engineer and Dangerously Wounded the Fireman.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Sept. 29.  
An attempt was made to rob the "Thunderbolt" Santa Fe express train at Coolidge, Kas., a small station on the Kansas and Colorado line, 450 miles west of here, last night, news of which caused excitement here such as has not been known since the Glendale, Winston and Blue Cut train robberies. The train was the regular east-bound passenger train, which left Denver last night and was due here to-night. Coolidge is a small cattle station and beside the telegraph operator is almost uninhabited. As the train was about to pull out from Coolidge three men appeared and ordered the engineer to stop. He refused, and was shot dead. The fireman was also shot through the neck and badly hurt though not fatally. The men assailed the express car, but Samuel Peterson, the Express messenger, made such a vigorous fight that the robbers were driven off. Finding the train aroused and themselves likely to be worsted, the robbers then beat a retreat, having failed to secure the treasure which they were after.

Information was at once telegraphed stations along the line and a special train started for Coolidge from Emporia with a posse of armed men in pursuit. The dead engineer, whose name was John Hilton, lived at Emporia, his run being between that point and Dodge City. Route Agent J. C. Walkenshaw and Clerk C. A. James were in the mail car next to the engine, and witnessed the whole affair. James relates the details in substance as follows:

"Our train was due at Coolidge at two o'clock a. m., and arrived on time. We changed engines and engines there, and usually stop about fifteen minutes. While the engines were being changed I noticed two men who, in the darkness, appeared to have their heads and faces tied up, walking up and down the platform at the side of the car several times. I was busy at the time and paid no special attention to them. Just as the train was ready to pull out and Conductor Greely sang out 'All aboard,' I looked out at the door and saw one of the men cross the opposite side of the track and the other walk up toward the engine. A minute afterward I heard several shots upon the engine and an instant later two or three more in the express car. I looked again and saw the fireman, Geo. Fiddle, jump from the engine and run across the platform. Just as he reached the other edge another shot was fired, and he fell back upon the platform. By this time the train was in confusion, and all of the train men, as well as every one else who knew what was going on, seemed perfectly paralyzed and incapable of action. I knew the train was being robbed and Mr. Walkenshaw and myself began to think about preparing to protect our car. In the meantime the man we saw cross the track was making an attempt upon the express car and managed to get inside of it. He acted as though he was drunk and fairly fell into the side door, shooting his revolver as he did so. The Express messenger, S. S. Peterson, armed with a revolver, succeeded in driving the robber from the car.

After this the man on the engine jumped down on the platform and the robber slipped out together, going across the prairie in a southerly direction. Everybody was so paralyzed with the audacity of the attempt that no movement was made to pursue the robbers or do anything else for fully ten minutes after they had disappeared. A rush was made for the engine and we found John Hilton, the engineer, lying dead in the cab with a shot through the heart and another through the head.

Fireman Fiddle was lying on the platform opposite the engine, entirely unconscious with a bullet wound in his side. He recovered consciousness a few minutes later, long enough to state that just as they were getting ready to start the train a masked man jumped on the engine and with a pistol in his hand ordered the engineer, Hilton, to pull out. Hilton refused to start the engine, but tried to reach for the whistle line to give the danger signal. The robber saw this movement and immediately commenced to shoot. The engineer fell from his seat and Fiddle jumped off on the platform. The robber shot at him as he ran, but missed him. Just as the train was about to pull out, the man who attacked the express car came running up and fired at Fiddle, the shot taking effect in his neck. This was the last fireman killed. We left him as he lay on the platform and he was very dangerously hurt. We left him at Coolidge to be taken care of. He was about thirty-five years old, and had been on the road for a long time running from Coolidge to Dodge City. I don't know where he lived, but I think at Coolidge. Engineer Hilton was about forty years of age and had a family at Dodge City. We brought his body to that place on our train where an inquest was held.

The town was all asleep and there were only six or seven people besides our train crew around the depot at the time the attempt was made. There is an eating-house in the depot, and the men were lounging around inside and on the platform, watching the train. The fireman who was killed at Coolidge is not over 250 souls, and there was no show to organize a pursuing posse before we left. We only stopped long enough to fire at the robbers and the dead engineer, and get new men to take their places, and we pulled out of Coolidge about forty-five minutes late. Before we left Conductor Greely telegraphed to Dodge City, and the officers of the road there at once organized a pursuing posse and started them via a special train for the scene of the tragedy. There were about fifty armed men in the posse, and we passed them at Cimarron.

There were only two robbers, but I think that originally there was a gang organized to rob the train, and that these two fellows came to town to get the lay of things and make arrangements, and got drunk and spoiled the scheme by attempting to do the job themselves.

The story of Express Messenger Peterson is very similar to that of James. He says while the engines were being exchanged he was lying in the car, and was in a daze when the conductor yelled 'all aboard.' An instant later a masked man attempted to get into the car, firing a revolver as he did so. Peterson awoke to the situation, and as the man entered the car he drew his revolver and returned the intruder's shot, and advancing upon him forced the man back out of the car. At that moment the fireman ran across the platform and the robber fired at him, the shot taking effect in the fireman's neck. Peterson was greatly excited, but was determined to defend his safe as long as possible. He thought he saw another man outside, but it afterward proved to have been the conductor. He also thinks the men were drunk, and that the original plan was to rob the train east of Coolidge.

Deputy Sheriff Mather, in charge of the Dodge City posse, was met at Coolidge by Sheriff Parsons of Bent County, Colorado, and they arrested two men and took them to Dodge City on a special train this evening and lodged them in jail. The feeling there was intensely bitter, but the men not being as yet fully identified no steps will be taken to avenge Hilton's death on an uncertainty.

Another man has this evening been arrested at Garden City and will be taken to Dodge City on a special train this evening and lodged in jail. It is thought that only three were engaged in the shooting, but that others were implicated in the conspiracy to rob the express car of its treasure.

Fiddle has a bad flesh wound, but it is thought that with proper attention his chances for recovery are good. He is being cared for by friends at Coolidge.

### WAR HAS BEEN WAGED FOR LESS.

Indignation Felt and Expressed by all Parties in Spain at the Recent Insult Offered King Alfonso in Paris—Comments of the Spanish Press—The Political Significance of the Affair—The French Legation in Madrid Under Police Protection.

MADRID, Oct. 2.  
The irritation against France and the French Government has assumed tremendous proportions. Not only do all the royalist papers echo the feeling of the Conservatives, but even Liberals and members of the Dynastic Left, men like Senor Moret. Every Independent paper, *El Imparcial* especially, and *La Iberia*, the chief organ of the Cabinet, also calls the Parisian demonstration a shameful disgrace for France, and an act of savagery unworthy a civilized people. They cast the entire responsibility on President Grevy and the French Cabinet, who so weakly defended their guest. *La Iberia* is authorized, it says, to say that the King condescended to remain in Paris more in Paris and dine with President Grevy only after an humble apology, and reserving his liberty of action to ask that satisfaction, public and exemplary, be made for the insult. The Madrid press say that he will be backed by the unanimous feeling of his people. His return was decided upon at the repeated request of the Ministers here. The Embassadors to France will follow him. The note demanding an apology will be energetic. The Madrid press and official telegrams say that Alfonso spoke very sternly to President Grevy. The irritation at the embassy and in the Spanish colony in Paris is very great because the official world in Spain blame the French Government for the lukewarm reception. Great sympathy for Germany is expressed in the monarchical press, in the hope that the attitude of Spain will receive the support of Germany.

A splendid reception is being prepared for the King to-morrow. All the members of the Royalist party and the officers of the garrison will unite in the loyal demonstration. The republican and democratic press confess that the French intrusions have damaged themselves and for a long time have damaged the prospects of the Peninsular democracy. *El Globo*, the organ of Senor Castelar, and *El Porvenir*, the organ of Ruiz Zorrilla, deplore such a capitulation given to the German alliance.